

S.J.R. 32

By Connelly

A JOINT RESOLUTION

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

Section 1. That Article VIII, Constitution of the State of Texas, be amended by adding a new Section 1-e to read as follows:

"Section 1-e.

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"4. The State ad valorem tax of Ten Cents (10¢) on the One Hundred Dollars valuation levied by Article VII, Section 17, shall not be levied after December 31, 1978.

"5. Unless otherwise provided by the Legislature, after December 31, 1976 all delinquent State ad valorem taxes together with penalties and interest thereon, less lawful costs of collection, shall be used to secure bonds issued for permanent improvements at institutions of higher learning, as authorized by Article VII, Section 17, of this Constitution.

"6. The fees paid by the State for both assessing and collecting State ad valorem taxes shall not exceed Two Per Cent (2%) of the State taxes collected. This Subsection shall be self-executing."

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Sec. 3. The foregoing Constitutional Amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of this State at an election to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November 1968, at which election all ballots shall have printed on them the following:

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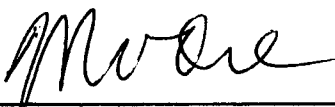
Austin, Texas

April 4, 19 67

Hon. Preston Smith
President of the Senate

Sir:

We, your Committee on CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS,
to which was referred SJR ~~XB~~. No. 32, have had the same
under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to
the Senate with the recommendation that it do _____
pass _____ and be _____ printed.



Chairman MOORE

By: Connally

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FORM A

(For favorable and unfavorable reports on bills and resolutions,
where no committee amendments are recommended.)

COMMITTEE REPORT

Date May 9, 1967

HON. BEN BARNES,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

SIR:

We, your Committee on Constitutional Amendments to whom was
referred SJR No. 32, have had the same under
consideration and beg to report back with recommendation that it ~~(do not)~~ (do)
pass.

Raymond B. Rose
Chairman.

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By *Johnson*

Amend S. J. R. 32, paragraph 1 of Sec. 1-e of Section 1 of
the bill by striking the period at the end of the paragraph
and adding the following language:

"except the tax levied by Article VII, Sec. 17, for
certain institutions of higher learning."

DATE MAY 1 1967

READ AND ADOPTED

Dorothy Johnson
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 1 1967

MOTION TO RECONSIDER THE VOTE ~~BY~~ WHICH Amendment WAS
ADOPTED / ~~YES~~ AND TO TABLE THE MOTION TO RECON-
SIDER PREVAILED ~~BY~~ Non-record VOTE OF
~~AYES AND~~ YES
Dorothy Johnson
CHIEF CLERK HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

~~Amend the submission clause of Section
3 to read as follows by~~

~~"For the Constitutional"~~

By Jernisin

Amend the submission clause of section
3 by adding to each proposition,
after the date "1978" a comma and
the following language: "except the tax
levied by Article VII, Sec 17, for
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DATE MAY 17 1967

READ AND ADOPTED

Dorothy Williams
CHIEF CLERK
OF REPRESENTATIVES

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File

Amend S.J.R. 32 by adding the following at the end of Sec 4

[The publication of this amendment shall be limited to the publication of Sections 1, 2 & 3 ~~and~~ of this resolution only.]

DATE MAY 17 1967

READ AND ADOPTED

Dorothy H. Hays
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Amend R R32 by striking out all of lines
~~55~~ 55, 56 & 57 of Sec. 1 page 1. of the
printed bill.

Harrison

ADOPTED
by vote of 17 yeas, 13 nays
APR 18 1967

Charles McNabb
SECRETARY OF SENATE

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~~57~~

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S. J. R. No. 32

Lieutenant Governor
President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S. J. R. No. 32 was passed by the Senate on May 2, 1967, by the following vote: Yeas 21, Nays 8;
May 19, 1967, Senate concurred in House amendments, by the following vote: Yeas 21, Nays 7.

Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S. J. R. No. 32 was adopted by the House on May 18, 1967, with amendments, by the following vote:
Yeas 102, Nays 34.

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

5-27-67

Date

John Connally
Governor

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE
SECRETARY OF STATE
6:50 pm CLOUT

MAY 27 1967

John L. Hill
Secretary of State

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MAR 9 1967 Read first time
and referred to Committee
on Constitutional Amendments

APR 4 1967 Reported Favorably

APR 18 1967

Regular order of business
suspended by vote of
25 yeas, 6 nays
to permit consideration.

APR 18 1967

READ SECOND TIME and amended
~~AND ORDERED ENGROSSED~~
and ordered engrossed.

APR 18 1967

Senate Rule 32 and
Constitutional Rule (Sec. 32, Art. III) failed to
suspend by a vote of 21 yeas,
9 nays, to place bill on third
reading and final passage.

MAY 2 1967

Regular order of business
suspended by vote of
23 yeas, 6 nays
to permit consideration.

MAY 2 1967

READ THIRD TIME AND PASSED
BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

Yeas 21 Nays 8
Charles Schnabel
Secretary of the Senate

5-3- 19 67 Engrossed
Engrossing Clerk

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3- 9-67 Read first time and referred to Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

4- 4-67 Reported favorably.

4-18-67 Regular order of business suspended by vote of 25 Yeas, 6 Nays, to permit consideration.

4-18-67 Read second time, amended and ordered engrossed.

4-18-67 Senate Rule 32 and Constitutional Rule (Sec. 32, Art. III) failed to suspend by a vote of 21 Yeas, 9 Nays, to place bill on third reading and final passage.

5- 2-67 Regular order of business suspended by vote of 23 Yeas, 6 Nays, to permit consideration.

5- 2-67 Read third time and passed by the following vote: Yeas 21, Nays 8.

Charles Schnabel, Secretary of the Senate

5- 3-67 Engrossed.

MAY 3 1967

ENGROSSING CLERK

SENT TO HOUSE

Eddie M. Ginnie

MAY 3 1967

Received from
the Senate.

Dorothy Hallman

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

MAY 4 1967

READ 1st TIME
AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON

Constitutional Amendments

MAY 10 1967 REPORTED FAVORABLY SENT TO PRINTER

PRINTED, DISTRIBUTED AND

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON

10:30 A.M. MAY 11 1967
(Time) (Date)

MAY 17 1967

Read Second Time *Amended* and passed to
third reading by vote 97 ayes, 48 noes.

Dorothy Hallman

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

MAY 17 1967

MOTION TO RECONSIDER THE VOTE BY

WHICH *S.J.R. # 32* WAS

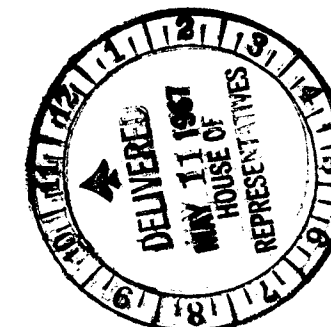
ADOPTED / PASSED AND TO TABLE 1 MOTION TO RECON-

SIDER PREVAILED PASSED BY A *Non-Record* VOTE OF

AYES AND NAYS

Dorothy Hallman

CHIEF CLERK HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON

RULES 10:30 A.M. MAY 17 1967
(Time) (Date)

MAY 18 1967

Read third time

and ~~Passed~~ *Adopted*

~~by following vote:~~ yeas *102*

Nays *34*

Dorothy Hallman

Chief Clerk

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 18 1967

MOTION TO RECONSIDER THE VOTE BY

WHICH *S.J.R. # 32* WAS

ADOPTED / ~~PASSED~~ AND TO TABLE THE MOTION TO RECON-
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Dorothy Hallman

CHIEF CLERK HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

RETURNED TO SENATE

MAY 18 1967

MAY 19 1967

RETURNED

FROM HOUSE

with amendments

MAY 19 1967

Senate concurred in House amend-
ments by the following vote: *21*
yeas, *7* nays.